

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO

Street Litter Control Notices (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

SR 2012 No. 38

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared by the Department of the Environment to accompany the Statutory Rule (details above) which is laid before the Northern Ireland Assembly.
- 1.2. The Statutory Rule is made under Article 14(1) of the Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 (the 1994 Order) and is subject to the negative resolution procedure.

2. Purpose

- 2.1. The objective of the Regulations is to reduce litter on the streets and therefore help in the creation and maintenance of clean, safe and green neighbourhoods and public spaces.

3. Background

- 3.1. Article 13 and 14 of the 1994 Order give district councils the power to issue Street Litter Control Notices on premises that have a frontage on a street, and outside which litter is causing defacement of the land.

4. Matters of Special Interest to the Environment Committee

- 4.1. None.

5. Consultation

- 5.1. The Department consulted on the proposed Regulations from 13 June to 30 September 2011.

6. Parity or Replicatory Measure

- 6.1. The Regulations replicate the relevant England and Wales provisions under the corresponding Act.

7. Equality Impact

- 7.1. Not applicable

8. Regulatory Impact

- 8.1. A regulatory impact assessment of the effect of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 is available on the Department's website. A separate regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for these Regulations as they have no impact on the cost to business.

9. Financial Implications

- 9.1. The Regulations have no measurable financial implications.

10. Section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998

- 10.1. The Regulations are considered compliant with Section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998.

11. EU Implications

- 11.1. Not applicable

12. Additional Information

- 12.1. Not applicable